

SHENANDOAH FACT SHEET

13 January 2005

Important Dates:

May 22, 1926 - Date Authorized

December 26, 1935 - Date Established

July 3, 1936 - Park dedicated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Lands Information:

Albemarle County	14,681.16
Augusta County	12,269.42
Greene County	15,284.65
Madison County	33,106.22
Page County	38,613.77
Rappahannock County	31,856.33
Rockingham County	37,968.58
Warren County	<u>13,658.63</u>
Total	197,438.76 acres

79,579 acres of wilderness (North 25,100, Central 21,380, South 33,099)

Facilities:

Roads and Trails

236 miles of roads, including 105 miles of Skyline Drive
75 overlooks

516 miles of hiking trails, including 200 miles of designated horse trails and 101 miles of Appalachian Trail

National Park Service Facilities

4 entrance stations
3 visitor centers
2 boundary contact stations (weekend only)
4 campgrounds
 Mathews Arm Campground 179 sites
 Big Meadows Campground 217 sites
 Lewis Mountain Campground 32 sites
 Loft Mountain Campground 219 sites
1 group campground 7 sites

7 picnic areas

ARAMARK

3 lodging facilities - 286 rooms total

Skyland – 179 rooms

Big Meadows Lodge – 97 rooms

Lewis Mountain – 10 rooms

3 waysides

5 food service outlets - 530 seats

6 merchandise outlets

3 service stations

3 public showers/laundries

1 stable for trail rides

Potomac Appalachian Trail Club

6 backcountry cabins

Natural and Cultural Resources:

Cultural Resources

1 National Historic Landmark (Rapidan Camp)

1 District (all of Skyline Drive) listed on the National Register of Historic Places

1 Structure (Massanutten Lodge) individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places

349 Buildings and structures included on the List of Classified Structures

577 Significant, recorded archeological sites, 11 of which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places

100+ cemeteries

Plants

1300+ species of plants

267 species of trees and shrubs

95% of park forested

Animals

About 50 species of mammals

1 species of ungulate

1 species of bear

32 species of fish

27 species of reptiles

18 snakes

2 species of poisonous snake

5 turtles

3 skinks

1 lizard

24 species of amphibians

10 toads and frogs

14 salamanders and newts

1 Federally endangered salamander

Over 200 species of birds

Largest Bird - Wild Turkey

Longest Wing Span - Turkey Vulture

Geologic Resources and Topography

Three primary bedrock types – granitic, siliciclastic, basaltic

Over 60 peaks with elevation over 3,000 feet

Highest peak - Hawksbill at 4,049 feet

Lowest elevation - 561 feet near the north end

Water Resources

Over 90 streams

Highest waterfall - Overall Run - 93 feet

Most visited waterfall - Dark Hollow Falls - 70 feet

Weather

Temperatures range from -10° to 100°

Precipitation Average: 40-50 inches annually